SCIENCE & INDUSTRY

ORDER DEPARTMENT
OAKLAND PUBLIC LIBRARY
125 14TH ST E-6323 S-12
OAKLAND CALIF

OAKLAND
NOV 16 1956
PUBLIC LIBRARY

EAST BAY LABOR JOURNAL

THE ONLY OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER OF ORGANIZED LABOR IN ALAMEDA COUNTY

OWNED, CONTROLLED and PUBLISHED by AFL CENTRAL LABOR COUNCIL of ALAMEDA COUNTY and BUILDING and CONSTRUCTION TRADES COUNCIL of ALAMEDA COUNTY

VOLUME XXXI, NUMBER 33 | OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 1956 | SINGLE COPIES FIVE CENTS

REPORT
To Our Readers - Owners

'56 LABOR PRESS ROLE

State Federation Secretary C. J. Haggerty announces that "an analysis of the labor press role in the 1956 elections will highlight the opening session" Saturday morning, November 17, of the State Federation's seventh annual Labor Press Conference in Fresno.

Brother Haggerty had previously announced that one of the speakers at the conference will be Gordon H. Cole, editor of the Machinist, weekly publication of the International Association of Machinists.

Cole in our opinion deserves praise at the conference for the way he edited the October 25 issue of the Machinist.

At the top of the first page there were pictures of U. S. Senator Irving Ives, Republican, and U. S. Senator John Kennedy, Democrat, with the announcement that if the reader would turn to pages 4 and 5 he would find a statement by Ives asking labor's vote for Eisenhower and Nixon, and a statement by Kennedy asking labor's vote for Stevenson and Kefauver.

★ ★ ★

EVEN STEVEN!

On pages 4 and 5, in the center of the 8-page issue, with the two pleas both visible at the same time, were the statements by Ives and Kennedy, each appropriately illustrated with excellent pictures of the respective candidates.

Both statements were in large clear type, both occupied exactly the same amount of space, both were well written.

Then on the last page of the issue the entire space was devoted to the AFLCIO Committee on Political Education (COPE) statement on "Stevenson Vs. Eisenhower: Here's Where They Stand." This statement laid it on the line for Stevenson, showing point by point why labor people should vote for Stevenson.

And of course all IAM people who take the trouble to keep up with the news of their own international knew that at the convention in San Francisco a forthright statement for Stevenson had been adopted.

★ ★ ★

IT'S ADVICE ONLY!

That edition of the Machinist made it plain without saying so that while the advice of the leadership of the international union and the AFLCIO was that members cast their votes for Stevenson and Kefauver, this was advice only; and that as citizens the members should weigh the arguments presented by both sides.

If the present writer participates in the discussion tomorrow in Fresno he will certainly call attention to that issue of the Machinist as a model for all us labor editors to bear in mind in the future. Many of us, or rather some of us, have the ideal of fair play in our mind, but it seems to get hidden somewhere when we get into the thick of the fray.

The way the Machinist handled those conflicting statements keeps alive the wholesome tradition that America is a land of equals who discuss things fully; that it is not a slave pen where smart sloganeers wield their slogans as whips to coerce boobs.

UAW Men at Chev Shop on Overtime

United Auto Workers members at the Chevrolet assembly plant here have gone on an overtime production schedule.

Edward N. Cole, general manager of the Chevrolet Motor Division of General Motors Corp., said in Detroit the overtime program is necessary because of increasing demand for 1957 model cars.

OFFICIAL NOTICES

The following unions will find notices of important meetings called by their officers on page 3 of this issue of the Journal.

AUTO MACHINISTS 1546
STEAMFITTERS 342
CLERKS & LUMBER HANDLERS 939
DISTRICT COUNCIL OF PAINTERS 16
PAINTERS 127
HAYWARD PAINTERS 1178
HAYWARD CULINARY 823
S. F.-OAKLAND MAILERS 18

Palsy Center Man Praises BTC For Volunteer Labor

The Building Trades Council of Alameda County has approved plans for their member locals to do volunteer work on several phases of the Cerebral Palsy Center at 4500 Lincoln Avenue.

Through the cooperation of S. E. Rockwell, business manager for the Electricians Local No. 595 and Ben Beynon, business manager for the Plumbers Local No. 444, work on the Therapy wing started November 3. On succeeding Saturdays other crafts will work until such time as the wing is completed. It is hoped that this unit can be completed by Christmas.

Lamar Childers, Business Representative of the Building Trades Council stated: "Our council has endorsed the Cerebral Palsy building project and is most happy to do all it can to work for the completion of this much needed center for the cerebral palsied."

President Elmer P. Zollner, leading volunteer of the CP organization, in thanking members of the Council wrote: "The plans for the Alameda County Cerebral Palsy Center call for facilities capable of adequately providing all the known unmet answers to the Cerebral Palsy problem in our area. The generosity of organized labor in not only supporting the cause with their dollars, but with their talents as well is commendable and means that our extensive plans will move towards completion more rapidly. We are most grateful to the affiliates of the Building Trades Council."

Angelo Bruzzone Analyzes Unions' Problems Abroad

Angelo Bruzzone, member of Milk Drivers & Dairy Employees 302, recently returned from a 13-month sojourn in England, France, Spain, and Italy. A considerable part of that time was spent in study at Ruskin College, Oxford, where he had a scholarship.

Mrs. Bruzzone accompanied him, and they both feel that they saw and learned a great deal on the trip, and helped English and European labor people to understand American trade unionism somewhat better.

"After studying affairs in England and Europe," Bruzzone told East Bay Labor Journal, "I feel more strongly than ever that trade unions are the key to world peace and prosperity. Not only through collective bargaining for economic gains, but through development of the strength to put through legislation, not to benefit the privileged few, but a nation as a whole."

While Bruzzone feels that interest in good legislation is essential in trade unions, he noted that in France and Italy the unions seem almost entirely political in nature, and have not paid enough attention to bread and butter bargaining.

In Italy, for example, he found three groups of unions. Church people had a group of unions largely occupied in opposing another group of unions dominated by the Communists. In between is a group of unions, relatively weak, trying to concentrate on economic betterment.

"In both France and Italy," said Bruzzone, when you mention unions to many people they laugh and ask what the unions have ever done to improve conditions for the people. They think of unions as merely political entities."

Bruzzone feels that if the unions in France anl Italy paid more attention to developing on the economic side, it would be the most effective way to prevent Communism from spreading.

After studying conditions in Europe Bruzzone feels that we were very fortunate in the 30s to have a leader turn up like Franklin D. Roosevelt. Things were so bad, then, he feels, that if a powerful revolutionary figure had emerged, there might have been a big overturn in America.

"But as it was," said Bruzzone, "Roosevelt, a man I would call dynamic rather than revolutionary, appeared."

Substantial Gain Won By Phone Co. Bay Area Locals

Substanial gains were made by the two Bay Area locals of the Communications Workers of America which came so close to going on strike when the negotiations deadlocked.

Finally there was a 32-hour marathon session which achieved the settlements.

CWA Local 9415 includes the operators of Northern California and Nevada, the plant workers, and the workers at the Western Electric Company a subsidiary company, at San Leandro. CWA Local 9490 includes the installers of Western Electric equipment.

The operators in the Bay Area got a $5 weekly increase for the starting rate, bringing it to $56 a week; and a $3 boost for the top rate, bringing it to $69.50.

The plant workers got a $4 weekly increase, for the starting rate, bringing it to $56; and a $5 increase for the top rate, bringing it to $111.

The Western Electric shop workers got a $3.20 weekly increase for the starting rate, bringing it to $66; and a $4.80 increase for the top rate, bringing it to $116.

The Western Electric installers got roughly the same increases as the Western Electric shop workers.

Richard Hackler, CWA area director for Northern California and Nevada, headed the negotiations committee.

Violet Bogan is president of Local 9415; Frank Adams is secretary; and Len Lawson is treasurer.

Robert Rivers is president of Local 9490; and Don T. Thrall is secretary.

The negotiations covered upwards of 6000 persons in the Bay Area, and some 25,000 in Northern California and Nevada as a whole.

Meany's Comment On the Election

WASHINGTON (AFLCIO) — AFLCIO President George Meany issued the following comment on the election:

"Obviously, President Eisenhower's personal popularity was the key factor in the election results.

"It was the man, not the Republican program, that the voters so overwhelmingly endorsed. This is proved by the fact that, despite the Eisenhower landslide, his party failed to win control of Congress.

"Considering the record - breaking proportions of the Eisenhower victory, this was little short of a political miracle. I am convinced it was due in large part to the educational work of labor. The Committee on Political Education, the political arm of the AFL-CIO, has concentrated its efforts, day in and day out throughout the year, on the election of liberal progressive candidates to Congress.

"While the 85th Congress will not be predominantly liberal, we now have renewed hope for accomplishing that objective in 1958.

"Meanwhile, in the great American tradition, the workers of this country along with all other citizens, will close ranks behind President Eisenhower in his efforts to preserve peace and strengthen the forces of human freedom throughout the world."

'Our Mr. Sun' New Bell TV Feature

"Our Mr. Sun", first of a new television Science Series in color, sponsored by the Bell System, will make its debut on Monday, November 19.

It will be seen on KPIX-TV, Channel 5, from 7 to 8 p.m. Pacific Standard Time.

Four years in the making and directed by Academy Award-winning Frank Capra, "Our Mr. Sun' 'tells in graphic detail the story of the sun from ancient to modern times and its effects on our lives.

It stars Dr. Frank Baxter of "Shakespeare on TV" fame as "Dr. Research", the scientist, and Eddie Albert, stage and movie star, as a fiction writer in search of a "gimmick".

Tell 'em you saw it in the East Bay Labor Journal!



BUILDING TRADES workers in the East Bay haven't always got credit for what they do for the community, but this picture shows the recognition given to building tradesmen in Detroit and to the United Auto Workers. The picture shows the ground-breaking for the $25 million Gratiot Redevelopment project. Manning shovels, from left, are Vice President Marion Macioce of Detroit Building Trades Council, U. S. Senator Pat McNamara, (D. Mich.) himself a building tradesman, Michigan Governor G. Mennen Williams, who was reelected recently largely through the efforts of labor, Secretary-Treasurer L. M. Weir of the Carpenters District Council, and Auto Workers President Walter P. Reuther. When the project nearly foundered two years ago, UAW gave $10,000 and the building trades donated $5000 to further plans.

Leo George, Head of P. O. Clerks 33 Years, is Praised

The October issue of the Union Postal Clerk, official publication of the National Federation of Post Office Clerks, publishes a tribute to Leo E. George, president of the organization for 33 years. George has now retired, and has been succeeded by J. Cline House. Following is the tribute, in part:

When President Leo E. George rapped the gavel to adjourn the 50th Convention of the Federation in Chicago, September 1, he sounded the end of an era in National Federation of Post Office Clerks history. For himself and for the Federation he was concluding a half century of service on behalf of the nation's postal clerks.

Our retiring leader and the Federation have been as one from the beginning. Leo E. George entered the Postal Service in 1906, a new worker in the Chicago Post Office Clerks' Union, which soon became Local 1 of the National Federation of Post Office Clerks. . . .

Early in 1923 he became acting president of National Federation of Post Office Clerks, and in September of that year he was elected to the permanent position. For 33 years he has served the Federation through the prosperity of the late Twenties and the depression of the Thirties. . . .

On May 10, 1952, he presented the 5,000th charter to a National Federation of Post Office Clerks local in Lebanon, Pa., an indication of the steady growth under his administration.

The man who has devoted his adult life to his union began to realize that he must ease up his pace a few years ago. While attending a meeting of the National Executive Committee immediately after the Cincinnati convention in 1954, he was stricken with a heart attack and was rushed to a hospital But he improved rapidly and returned to his office in Washington a few weeks later.

A former member of the National Labor Committee of the annual campaign of the American Heart Association, President George knew well the vital nature of his illness. Well in advance of the Chicago convention, he let other National Federation of Post Office Clerks leaders know of his plan to retire from active duty.

He leaves the Federation at the peak of its success . . . a patriarch among postal workers. On the golden anniversity of our organization, we salute its gallant, veteran leader and wish him many years of contentment ahead.

WAR BONUS pay will be the rule for members of three maritime unions employed by American President Lines if aboard ships in the Suez crisis area, it has been agreed in negotiations.

TRUE BLUE NIXONITE WRITES NICE LETTER!

The editor of East Bay Labor Journal, who has been called Red Baiter so many times that he begins to think it's his middle name, enjoyed receiving the following anonymous letter this week:

Editor, Labor Journal:

You are a lousy bunch. Our good Vice President Nixon is a good honest American. He's against the Commies, that is why you don't like him. You never mentioned the Russian skunks and what they are doing in Hungary. Your paper is another Daily Worker. Most union people are for honesty, and they HATE Commies. We all thank God our beloved President won, not Stevie and Eleanor's Joe Smith stooge.

Union People Are Buying $1,542,000 Dwelling Project

W. L. Ward, a member of Operating Engineers 3, announces that a group made up of members of various unions, has formed a corporation called the Atchison Village Mutual Home Corporation and is taking over public housing from the Richmond Housing Authority.

The corporation's business is to buy the property from the Federal Government at a price of $1,542,000. Ward says that the State Corporation Commission gave approval to the corporation last month.

Corporation members can go up to 450 persons, either already residents of units on the property, or outsiders who wish to become residents. About 75% of this number are already residents, says Ward.

The Government rates every dwelling unit at a straight $3333, but the corporation now has a public accountant at work determining how the charge should be assessed against one-bedroom, two-bedroom, and three-bedroom dwelling units.

Those wishing to join the group make a down payment of $275 for a one-bedroom unit, $325 for a two-bedroom unit, and $400 for a three-bedroom unit. It is provided that the rent, which of course will be payments on the place, will be the same for four months. After that, says Ward, it may be lowered, but there seems to be no indication that it will be necessary to raise it.

The rent, or payment toward purchase, is $66 monthly for a three-bedroom place, $60 for a two-bedroom place, and about $55 for a one-bedroom place. This includes gas, lights, water, and garbage disposal.

The Government's terms are for a 20-year loan at 4¾ percent.

J. B. Wilson, a member of the Carpenters 642, is president of the corporation; Ward is vice-president. and Florence Hill, a member of the Retail Clerks 1179 is secretary. There are 14 other members of the board of directors, and Ward says that all of them are union people.

Atchison Village is in Richmond between First and Santa Fe, off Macdonald Avenue near the Santa Fe depot.

Ward says that in laying the plans for the corporation a study was made of the Alameda Mutual Homes Corporation, which has been in successful operation for some eight years, and that Mr. Patch, secretary-treasurer of the Alameda group, gave the Richmond people valuable advice.

Atchison Village contains 162 structures which hold 450 dwelling units.

Ward, who lives at 30 Collins Court, Richmond, and has been very active in getting the corporation under way, has interested some of the fellow members of his union and other unions not merely in the Atchison Village plan, but in the possibility of working people combining in various ways to bring down the cost of housing.

"Down near Fresno," says Ward, "working people are not merely buying housing projects already built, but they're joining together and building homes in groups."

Milk Drivers 302 Puppet Show Has 'Sleeping Beauty'

A new puppet show at the Puppet Theater in Children's Fairyland opened recently, with three performances each day, at 11 a.m., 2 and 4 p.m., with the Hayward Puppeteers presenting the Lilliputian Players' "Sleeping Beauty" directed by Lewis Mahlman and using the Lilliputian Marionettes.

The new presentation is a fairy tale of medieval times. The cast includes six important characters plus 12 fairies and a little dog. The show runs 25 minutes, according to Dorothy Hayward, director of the Children's Fairyland puppet theater. All performances are free to those visiting Fairyland.

The puppet theater at Children's Fairyland is a contribution of the Lake Merritt Breakfast Club, and the puppet shows are sponsored by the Milk Drivers' and Dairy Employees' Union, Local 302, for the girls and boys who visit Oakland's famed land of make believe.

Children's Fairyland, located in Lakeside Park at the entrance on Grand Avenue and Park View Terrace, is open Wednesdays through Sundays.

PASADENA WOMAN called police to demand that they take action against someone whose blaring radio, she said, had kept her awake for hours. The police found the offending radio was blaring in her own empty living room.

Bias Against Negro Teachers In County Schools Exposed

Howard P. Jeter, a delegate to the Central Labor Council from the Teachers Local in Berkeley, is the author of a mimeographed report on "Alameda County Teacher Integration" which is being distributed with a foreword by Ben Rust, president of the AFLCIO California State Teachers Federation.

Some of the facts brought out by Brother Jeter are:

Of 6823 teachers employed in Alameda county public school districts, fewer than 150, or about 2 percent, are Negroes that have regular positions.

Of the 33 school districts in Alameda county only 5 will employ Negro teachers.

No Negro is a member of a school board in the county.

There are only two Negro principals and 5 Negro counselors in the county.

Thee are no trade and technical teachers, no Negro teachers on the junior college level, no senior high school athletic coaches or physical education teachers.

There is an apparently disproportionate number of Negro teachers assigned to classes of mentally retarded children.

Of 570 teachers in Berkeley, only 17 Negroes are employed as regular teachers.

"Real, if comparatively subtle, racial discrimination is practiced against qualified Negro teacher applicants in most public school districts in Alameda county," says Jeter.

"The general practice is to hire a token number of Negro teachers under a covert quota system, for appeasement purposes, and to assign them to schools in Negro neighborhoods . . .

"Alameda county school superintendents employ substandard or provisional teachers in preference to appointing qualified California certificated Negro teachers . . . This is an example of poor economy because tax money is spent on inferior teaching . . .

"Correction of this deplorable situation will take more than platitudes about the virtues of democratic education. After the announcement of the Supreme Court's momentous school integration decision, it was hoped that many of the problems of racial discrimination in hiring Negro teachers in Alameda county would be solved.

"A recent preliminary survey to check the validity of reports from Negro applicants for teaching positions in this county demonstrated that these conditions continue to exist with little or no modification."

Jeter takes up the political aspects firmly, saying:

"The county superintendent and school board members are elected to office by the people they are supposed to represent. If the Negro vote can decide who will be elected to Congress in the 7th Congressional District, it certainly can decide whether racial discrimination against qualified Negro teachers will be continued in the public schools of this area."

Jeter is confident, he says, that "once the full glare of public exposure is directed against these undemocratic and wasteful policies it is certain that the exponents of these practices will hastily mend their ways."

State Teachers President Ben Rust calls attention in his foreword to the fact that a bill introduced by Assemblyman Byron Rumford of Berkeley passed both houses in 1955 and was signed by Governor Knight; this bill, says Rust, declares it "a public policy to ensure the employment of teachers, regardless of their race, color, creed, or national origin."

"There is now," contends Rust, "a definite need to provide enforcement provisions in the law which was passed in 1955."

Jeter, says Rust, compiled most of the data used by the California State Teachers Federation in laying the groundwork for the 1955 law. He adds that "Mr. Jeter has continued to probe deeply into this problem. He has sifted his facts with diligence and sensitivity."

Rust says that the county school superintendent, speaking at a forum in which Rust participated "stated that he felt it was inevitable that he employ certain racial groups in certain parts of the county for 'the good of the race involved.' The question which the people of California must ultimately ask themselves is: what are the limits of such self-appointed guardianship and what is the will of the people with regard to limitation of this kind?"

GET COPY FOR JOURNAL IN EARLY NEXT WEEK!

Next week will be a short work week for cast Bay Labor Journal, due to the Thanksgiving holiday, so all correspondents are advised to get their material in early.

Holmdahl Thanks Labor for Support Given to Richards

Editor, Labor Journal:

On behalf of State Senator Richard Richards' Alameda County Campaign Committee, I want to thank the various AFL-CIO oganizations and the East Bay Labor Journal for the wonderful support given Senator Richards in his recent campaign for United States Senator.

The state-wide results were very disappointing to all of us, but there is a little consolation in knowing that Senator Richards took Alameda County, as to which results the local labor movement and the East Bay Labor Journal certainly played a substantial role.

I think there is further consolation in realizing that the fine showing Senator Richards made in his first state-wide race places him in a key position to run and win a statewide office in the not too distant future.

Thanking you again, I am

Yours truly,

JOHN HOLMDAHL,
Chairman Alameda County Campaign Committee for Richard Richards for U. S. Senate.

Another Rumor On That Old ILA Gang

Ray Christiansen, labor reporter for the Examiner, published a story in the Monday issue of that paper stating that several AFLCIO unions are making joint efforts to get the old International Longshoremen's Association of the East Coast rid of racketeers and back into the united labor movement.

The Examiner story said that the Operating Engineers, who have many members on the New York Docks, have combined with the Seafarers, and with the Teamsters cooperating, to try to clean up the ILA and then try to get the AFLCIO to take the ILA back into affiliation.

Christian Scientists' Thanksgiving Services

Spontaneous expressions of gratitude for God's goodness will be featured at the Thanksgiving service announced in all Christian Science churches on Thanksgiving Day.

All are invited to this special service. The voluntary testimonies from the floor will include gratitude for spiritual growth, physical healings and other blessings.

Muddle Condemned

The San Francisco Labor Council has condemned "our State Department's foreign policy and its leadership" for their role in the development of the Middle Eastern crisis, and called for "substantial and drastic revisions in State Department policy and leadership." The Council stated its position by means of a resolution adopted unanimously.

GLASS CONTAINER shipments in 1955 hit a new high of 19,466,640,000, or 118 per person. This was eleven per cent above the previous high set in 1953, according to the U.S. Department of Commerce.

COUNCILS' MEETINGS

Following interruptions due to holidays: Central Labor Council meets Monday, November 19. Building Trades Council meets Tuesday, November 20.

HOW TO BUY

Prices Up, But Lumber Cheaper

By SIDNEY MARGOLIUS
Labor Consumer Advisor for Labor Journal

More price rises have been announced on many items from cars to textiles. For the second year in a row, and at a time when car prices are already meeting buyer resistance, manufacturers have marked up tags. Many popular and middle-price 1957 models have been boosted 3 percent, or typically, about $75 a car.

Prices of shoes are going up again—for the fourth time in two years. Mills are also raising prices on textiles, which have been sharply depressed in recent years and selling at relatively low prices. Price boosts on the popular 80-square percale and other cottons, worsted jersey, and rayon and some synthetics, mean that both yard goods and lower-price dresses will cost more next spring than now.

But families planning home expansion and improvement projects or new houses now find a buying opportunity in the price cuts on lumber. The shortage of mortgage money and high interest rates now asked by lenders have forced curtailment of speculative building of new homes, with the resulting price drop on some materials.

The drop in lumber prices has been especially noticeable in plywood, Douglas fir, Southern pine and some hardwoods. You now find reductions of 10 to 18 percent on 2 x 4's, half-inch interior plywood and other needs for attic finishing and other expansions. Some yards have also shaved tags on insulation.

Wallboard is holding its price so far, and manufacturers have just raised the price of cement. They attributed the boost to "increased labor costs" and higher prices of coal, but failed to point out that the heavy demand for cement has enabled them to operate at peak capacity and enjoy record-high volume and profits.

Paint manufacturers have also raised prices and homeowners will soon pay 25-30 cents more per gallon at retail. However, one big company, (Sherwin-Williams), has just abandoned "fair-trade" price-fixing on its products, and retailers can now cut prices as they please.

Lumber mills are shaving boards a little closer these days, in their version of a concealed price rise. When you buy a so-called one-inch size, you don't really get one inch (just as when you buy four-inch insulation batts you really get only three inches). That is the "nominal" size. Up to now you only got 25-26ths of an inch when buying one - inch "dressed" lumber. Now West Coast mills have further reduced the actual size to three-quarters of an inch, and the industry is seeking to make these slightly thinner boards the standard, if the U. S. Commerce Department accepts the reduction. This seems likely since FHA has already endorsed it.

News About Women

Life Insurance

When the female follows the male into the job market, she seems to take on many of his habits and customs—good as well as bad.

In the area of life insurance, the working woman has gone all-out. Women have entered 1956 owning more than $50,000,000,000 worth of life insurance, about one-sixth of the total in this country, with homemakers as well as working women among the purchasers.

Why do women who work buy life insurance?

The question was posed to Mrs. Marion Stevens Eberly, Director of the Women's Division, Institute of Life Insurance. She explained that more and more women were sharing the rule of breadwinner with the men—sometimes acting as sole breadwinner, in other instances joining with her husband in providing family wherewithal.

As a result, she continued, women equally as men look to life insurance as a substitution for income for the family should death strike the breadwinner.

Women in Politics

School Needs

One of the greatest needs of today is a concrete school program for our children. A need today—not 10 or 12 years from now! There is entirely too much red tape and too many do-little or do - nothing conferences. There was, for instance, the White House Conference, which was rigged from start to finish. Properly trained educators, who knew the needs of their schools and labor representatives who advocated better schools for all children, were not given adequate opportunity to express their views or opinions.

Yet, even in spite of this rigging and controlled character, the problem was so glaringly apparent that the Conference came out flatly for federal aid to education even though the Eisenhower Administration had opposed such federal aid through the voice of Oveta Culp Hobby. But when it came to a showdown in the House, our children lost out, and the bill was defeated.

Child-rearing

Fussy!

"Please eat your cereal . . . Drink all your milk . . . Are you sure you're not cold?" The overanxious mother says these things over and over again. She is one of the many parents who are too concerned about their children.

This overanxious attitude disturbs youngsters. Children understand feelings and attitudes long before they understand words. The mother who constantly changes the baby's clothes for fear he will be either too warm or too cold is a typical example of this overanxiety. Constant fussing with clothing is annoying to a baby as it is to children who are older. Children need to be dressed comfortably and parents frequently must make only a guess, but constant fussing or changing of clothes isn't going to help.

Children are quick to use their mother's anxiety as a means of gaining attention. They are also quick to learn to let these commands go in one ear and out the other. They just cease to hear them. Sometimes, too, a child becomes resistant. He won't do anything he's supposed to do and more than likely he does exactly what he's told not to do.

This overanxiety reflects insecurity and sometimes general unhappiness in the parent. It's easy to say this parent should use common sense, but it's harder to do it. Nevertheless, the overanxious parent should try to take herself in hand or seek help.—Labors Daily.

Speaking of Clothes

Sweaters

No matter how much or how little you want to spend on a sweater, you'll be more likely to choose one that will give satisfaction if you know how to judge quality of sweaters on the market.

For instance, colorfastness is important. It should be kept in mind when buying sweaters to match a specific skirt or other piece of apparel.

This year sweaters and skirts to match are "all the go" and it can be difficult to judge the best buy unless the shopper knows the facts.

Colors are seldom guaranteed. Unfortunately, labels on sweaters give little, if any, information on this point.

Because wool takes dye easily and holds color well it is reasonably fast to both light and washing. Bright colors generally are not at fast as pastels or deep, dull shades.

Of the different kinds of dyes used, vat and mordant colors are fastest to laundering and sunlight and are being used more and more to meet the increasing demand for washable wool sweaters.

Tell 'em you saw it in the East Bay Labor Journal!

To The Ladies

FROM THE EDITOR

MOTHERS READ about the danger of war, and naturally think how strange it is that their sons can't be safe from the ever recurring danger of having to go out and die as soldiers.

But stranger still, one thinks sometimes, are some of the things that happen here at home in a land supposedly at peace.

CONSIDER, for example, two incidents reported in the daily press last week:

No. 1—A 16-year-old boy was beaten near Technical High School after he and a companion delivered a cake to a school dance. The beating was done by 10 youths armed with knives, although they didn't use them in the attack.

No. 2—A 43-year-old man was driving west on East 14th Street. A jaywalker appeared in front of his car near 41st Avenue. He stopped the car to let the jaywalker go past to safety. Then the jaywalker and three youths who had been crouching behind parked cars jumped out and pulled open the door, the motorist into the street, and started beating and kicking him. Police Patrolman Jim Pair happened to come along, and the youths tried to escape in a waiting car. "They might have beaten the man to death if I hadn't come at that moment," says the policeman.

WHEN SUCH THINGS happen right here at home on the streets of Oakland, and on the streets of cities all over the United States, so far as that's concerned, why should we be surprised if there are wars between nations.

Looks like some mothers, instead of worrying about why their sons have to go to war, had better begin worrying about why their sons pull such cute little tricks as those just described.

Buyer Beware

Credit

Recently the Wall Street Journal has been surveying the attitudes of people in various age brackets toward debt, saving, and spending.

In one of the stories, four teen-agers from different financial backgrounds agreed that they hope they'll never be heavy users of installment credit. One boy said, "I'd prefer to buy for cash. That way things are your own, and it costs less."

That's a bit of common sense which those of us in older generations might try to observe. Installment debt, according to a study made recently by a New York finance firm, climbed $5.4 billion last year, a figure so astronomical we can't quite understand it.

At the moment, six out of every ten American families use consumer credit. The average young couple today has never known depression times and expects the luxuries as well as the comforts of life right now, on time payments.

Well, the optimists say that "the government" would never allow a depression to happen again. But we just don't know that "the government" could control a luxury-mad, installment-payment-bound economy. —Farmers Union Herald.

Jane Gilbert

Jane Gilbert, for years on the staff of the Daily Peoples World, and respected as a good craftswoman and pleasant personality by many newspaper people who disagreed strongly with her political views, died recently after some years of struggle with cancer.

She underwent treatment which made it possible for her to work until within a few months of the inevitable end, and showed her customary courage and tranquility throughout the ordeal.

Free Labor Press Of United States Explained to Russ

WASHINGTON (AFLCIO).—Soviet Communist Party Chief Nikita S. Kruschchev's remark that the workers in the free world do not have a free press was flatly contradicted by the International Labor Press Association.

In a statement broadcast over the world and into Russia and the satellite countries by the Voice of America, ILPA Secretary-Treasurer Bernard R. Mullady termed Khruschev's assertion "ridiculous."

"Mr. Khrushchev may not know it," he added, "but the trade unions of the United States are taking full advantage of the oppotunity to reach their members through their own free press and the radio."

The ILPA statement pointed out that some 250 newspapers and magazines published by the AFLCIO and affiliates are represented in the association, and that they have a total circulation of well over 15,000,000.

"The members of 140 international unions affiliated with the AFLCIO receive the publications of their union," the ILPA declared. "In addition, the weekly AFLCIO News reaches the leadership of the Internationals, their 60,000 local unions and all state and city central labor unions. They receive the monthly AFLCIO American Federationist, the official magazine issued by the AFLCIO."

The ILPA pointed out that some weeklies, such as the Railway Brotherhood publication Labor and the Machinist, have circulations of 850,000 copies or more. In addition, it said, there are hundreds of weekly papers issued or endorsed by state and local central bodies, some with circulations of more than 85,000.

All these papers, it continued, "carry news affecting trade unionists, such as drives to enact misnamed and phony 'right-to-work' laws, and other stories that the daily commercial press may not regard as important news."

"We must point out," the statement said, "that the union publications in the free world are paid for by organizations of workers themselves, issued by officials responsible to the membership, and editors hired by the workers. This is in direct contrast to the situation in Iron Curtain countries, where the so-called workers press is run by government officials appointed, and in turn removed, at the whim of the dictatorship machine."

The statement also noted that AFLCIO news broadcasts are carried nightly by 200 radio stations from coast to coast, and that several international unions sponsor commentators on radio and television. It also pointed out that the radio station of the Chicago Federation of Labor, WCFL, has just celebrated its 30th annoversary.

Labor Department Worker Fact Book

WASHINGTON (AFLCIO) — Labor's place in the economic life of the country is presented briefly and in non-technical language in the American Workers' Fact Book just issued by the Labor Dept.

The 450-page volume, replete with background information on labor matters, is the first attempt at such comprehensive coverage of labor field affairs by a government agency.

Labor Secretary James P. Mitchell said the book is intended as a source of information for those interested in labor matters and sees it as a useful tool to labor officials, businessmen, legislators, editors and broadcasters and to high school and college students as a reference.

The book is available at $1.50 a copy from the Government Printing Office, Washington, D. C.

It carries nearly 100 tables and charts under nine chapter headings: The Labor Force, Employment and Unemployment, Labor's Share, On the Job, Economic Security, Labor and Management, Foreign Labor Activities and Government and the Workers.

Included among the topics are discussions of the size and characteristics of the labor force, an analysis of the labor market, data on unemployment and sections on the relationship of earnings, living standards and the nation's productivity.

The employment problems of older workers, the physically handicapped youth and other segments of the labor force are covered in special sections.

'United Labor's League' Watched

WASHINGTON (AFLCIO).—Labor organizations in several states are being propositioned on an advertising scheme by a self-styled "United Labor League of America Inc." which is under investigation by the Better Business Bureau in Washington.

The organization first came to light last month when it began a campaign to obtain "advertisements" from businessmen in Rockford, Ill., and Kokomo, Ind., for an allegedly "Official Buyers Guide and Trade Directory of the United Labor League." Earlier, on April 26, it had filed articles of incorporation with the Secretary of State of Indiana.

AFLCIO officials in both places had their suspicions aroused when some of the businessmen who had been approached complained about the type of solicitattion. The ULLA solicitors had used the name of the AFLCIO without authorization.

Auto Workers Representative E. Poyer at Rockford said that on June 21 he had been called by Mrs. Dorothy Johnson, member of UAW Local 541, who informed him that while she had been in a beauty parlor its proprietor had been approached by telephone for an ad in a labor directory.

Mrs. Johnson, Poyer said, "told me that high pressure tactics, threats and abusive language were used by the solicitor who stated that they were representing CIO in their attempt to get an ad from the operator of the beauty parlor."

Poyer immediately notified police, asking them to locate the salesmen and indicating his readiness to swear out warrants for their arrest. The police could not locate the solicitors, but Poyer and another UAW international representative did.

"We paid a friendly visit to them," Poyer said. "We found the usual hole in the wall set up which consisted of a couple of card tables equipped with a telephone on each one and a complete sucker or tap list and two operators banging away on the phones.

"We spent approximately half an hour teaching them and informing them of the facts of life and that they were doing a naughty thing in using CIO's name. After that, we notified the police. They were picked up, taken to the city jail and questioned by the police."

Tell 'em you saw it in the East Bay Labor Journal!

Labor Haters Back Scab Law, Vermont

MONTPELIER, Vt. (AFLCIO) —How labor haters from outside the state are working to enlist support for a campaign to enact so-called "right-to-work" legislation was disclosed here by Commissioner of Social Welfare Arthur W. Simpson.

The commissioner, a veteran Republican office holder and farmer, said he had quickly turned down a bid for his support for a "right-to-work" drive at the next session of the Vermont legislature which had been made to him by the DeMille Foundation of California.

Guatemalan Labor Seeks Recognition

WASHINGTON (AFLCIO) — After two years of reorganization under the self-styled "government of liberation" of President Carlos Castillo Armas, the labor movement of Guatemala is still struggling to attain recognition and stature.

That's the conclusion of a report just submitted by Andrew McLellan, Representative in Guatemala of the Inter-American Regional Organization of Workers (ORIT).

"Restrictive legislation, drafted originally to keep the trade union movement clear of communist infiltration, has been abused by elements hostile to a free democratic labor movement, and the growth of the trade union movement has been slow," McLellan wrote from Guatemala."

'GOP Coasting On Demos' Progress'

WAHSINGTON (AFLCIO) — The nation's economic policies and programs are caught up in a "great complacency" that is seriously endangering America's future economic growth, the Conference on Economic Progress has declared in a new study.

In a 96-page booklet entitled "The Gaps in Our Prosperity," the conference indicts the Eisenhower Administration for its policy of coasting on the economic reforms and social gains built into the economy in the past 20 years.

New motive power is needed, the study declares, to fill the gaps in our prosperity and bring about a full production—full employment economy.

The national committee of the Conference on Economic Progress includes three AFL-CIO vice presidents — Walter P. Reuther, Al J. Hayes and O. A. Knight.

Advertisement

Meet a new kind of labor secretary

He had a strong hand in increasing the general minimum wage from 75 cents an hour to $1. And to the surprise and pleasure of labor leaders who predicted it could not be done, James Mitchell has carried on a successful campaign to improve *local* labor legislation.

In November Reader's Digest read the impressive record Mitchell has compiled during his 3 years in Ike's cabinet.

Get November Reader's Digest at newsstands today: 43 articles of lasting interest, including the best from leading magazines, newspapers and books condensed to save your time.

OAKLAND FLORAL DEPOT
Member of Gardeners, Florists and Nurseryman's Local No. 120
928 WASHINGTON STREET
OAKLAND
Phone TEmplebar 2-0262

ADVERTISEMENT ADVERTISEMENT

Shrinks Hemorrhoids New Way Without Surgery

Science Finds Healing Substance That Does Both—Relieves Pain—Shrinks Hemorrhoids

New York, N. Y. (Special) — For the first time science has found a new healing substance with the astonishing ability to shrink hemorrhoids and to relieve pain—without surgery.

In case after case, while gently relieving pain, actual reduction (shrinkage) took place.

Most amazing of all—results were so thorough that sufferers made astonishing statements like "Piles have ceased to be a problem!"

The secret is a new healing substance (Bio-Dyne*)—discovery of a world-famous research institute.

This substance is now available in *suppository* or *ointment form* under the name *Preparation H.** At your druggist. Money back guarantee.

*Reg. U. S. Pat. Off.

BURNETTS NEW LUCKY'S
2268 TELEGRAPH AVENUE
"For the Best in Italian Food"
AND COCKTAIL LOUNGE

SWAN'S DEPARTMENT STORE
Washington Street at 10th
Oakland
Use Coupons
Take 6 Months
To Pay
INCLUDING CARRYING CHARGES
No Down Payment

J. G. Molakides & Sons
Distributors of
BURGERMEISTER
"A Truly Fine Pale Beer"
245 - 2nd Street TEmplebar 2-0280
OAKLAND

ALAMEDA COUNTY-EAST BAY
TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY
Courteous, Dependable Service
In business continuously since 1861
1510 Webster St., Oakland, Calif.
Hayward Office
1165 "A" Street, JEfferson 7-1165

TORCH CLUB
Your Labor Temple Neighbor
BEST DRINKS IN TOWN
Between Grand Ave. & 23rd St.
on Broadway
CARL — MIKE, Owners
Members Bartenders Union 52

Star Engraving Co.
Established 1920
Frank D'Antonio
UNION PRINTERS
Manufacturers of
Union Dues Buttons
"Union Label Imprinted Pencils"
177 Minna St.
San Francisco
DOuglas 2-1727

CLARENCE N.
COOPER
MORTUARIES
"Built by Personal Service"
Main Office
FRUITALE AVE. AT EAST SIXTEENTH STREET
Telephone KEllog 3-4114
Elmhurst Chapel:
EAST FOURTEENTH ST. AT EIGHTY-NINTH AVE.
Telephone TRinidad 2-4343

Complete Food Markets
Lucky

Y.O.U.R.S.
(YOUR OWN UNITED RETAIL STORE)
867 Isabella St., off San Pablo Ave., Oakland
INVITES ALL UNION MEMBERS
To Participate in the Many Savings on Over 125,000 Items of Its Complete Department Store Stock . . . Join Now! Bring Your Union Card and $2.00 for Lifetime Membership

HERE ARE JUST A FEW SAMPLES OF Y.O.U.R.S. EVERYDAY PRICES	RETAIL	Y.O.U.R.S
1957 OLYMPIC RADIO, table model assorted colors	$19.95	$12.95
THREE SPEED RECORD PLAYER, Red, Blue or Brown case	29.95	21.95
HI FI, TAPE, large 7" reels 2 hours playing time	2.80	1.99
EMERSON portable radio, partial transistor, with leather case	44.95	33.95

JOIN NOW! START SAVING TODAY!

UNION FAMILIES
BBB *visit a discount* department store
SAVE 15 to 60%
ON *standard brands*
AT
9999 San Pablo
EL CERRITO
Carry Your Union Card!
Open Nites—Sunday

OAKLAND TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY
15th and Franklin Streets
Oakland 12, California
Telephone GLencourt 1-8300
164 "A" St., Hayward, California
Telephone JEfferson 7-8300

Gensler • Lee Diamonds Exclusively

♥ Yes . . . we are Diamond Specialists! The only firm in all America selling Diamonds only . . . nothing else! Gensler-Lee sells more Diamonds than any other jeweler in the West. Diamond Rings and Diamond Watches for Men and Women. A year to pay!

STORES ALL OVER CALIFORNIA
477 - 14th St., Oakland - 818 Market - 2644 Mission, S. F.



EAST BAY LABOR JOURNAL

Owned and Published every Friday by Central Labor and Building and Construction Trades Councils of Alameda County.

1622 EAST 12th STREET, OAKLAND 6

Job Printing . . . . . ANdover 1-3980
Business Office . . . . . ANdover 1-3981
Editor . . . . . ANdover 1-3982
Advertising . . . . . ANdover 1-3983
ANdover 1-3984

Entered as Second-class Matter, Nov. 3, 1923 at the Postoffice of Oakland, California, Under the Act of March 3, 1879.

Subscription Rates—One year, $3.00; Single Copies 5 cents. Special Rates to Unions Subscribing in a Body.

LABOR PAPER ADVISORY COMMITTEE
CENTRAL LABOR COUNCIL—Robert S. Ash (President of Committee); Jeffery Cohelan, Douglas Geldert, Ernie Mulgrew, Steve Revilak.
BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION TRADES COUNCIL—Paul Jones (Secretary of Committee); James Martin, Lloyd Child, J. H. Kurt, Hughie Rutledge.

JOSEPH W. CHAUDET, General Manager
LOUIS BURGESS, Editor
WILLIAM B. MULLIN, Advertising Manager.

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
ROBERT S. ASH, LLOYD CHILD, JEFFERY COHELAN

Painters 127 in Strong Reminder About New Rules

By J. S. MILLER

Now that the elections are over and that phase of our American way of life is settled, I believe it is time for us to take stock of what we have and what we can maintain in the future.

I believe that Painters Union 127 has one of the finest labor organizations in the country. But I wonder how long this is going to continue if the membership persist in disregarding their duties as union men and figuring to LET GEORGE DO IT.

I also wonder how many of the women folks ask their men folks a few of these questions:

Are your union dues paid? What benefits do we get? Such as insurance and welfare. Are you keeping a record of hours worked, and for whom worked? Do you know the rules governing your insurance and welfare plans? How many have examined the front page of their due books to see that they are properly filled out and signed?

There are a great many more questions that could be asked, but space will not permit at this time.

The membership have been warned by both the local union and the District Council to have their dues paid by the 20th of the first month of the quarter or face the possibility of removal from the job. Still a number of members pay no attention.

The general office is starting a new system of bookkeeping and reporting after January 1, 1957, so that it will make it absolutely necessary for these dues to be paid. The financial secretary can not help you out.

Another word to the women: See to it that the men protect your insurance and welfare.

So far we are glad to report that work is keeping up in good shape.

The change in the District Council is starting to show the effects of the new system, as evidenced by the number of trials now being held. Watch your step, brother, and live up to your agreement.

The next meeting will be held December 13, 1956.

Dressing Room Chatter

B-82 Salute To Rogers Hospital

By JOE CONNELLY

We are in receipt of a communication from International President Richard F. Walsh sanctioning the participation of all IATSE locals in the 1956 Christmas Salute to Will Rogers Memorial Hospital.

The hospital and research laboratories are located at Saranac Lake, New York.

The organization is dedicated to the care, cure, research and rehabilitation of all members of the theater industry who need care and treatment for tuberculosis and other chest diseases.

There is no charge whatever to patients for medication, surgery, care, or living accommodations while hospitalized.

As there will probably be a solicitation in the theaters, in order to avoid duplication we are not making a drive at the business office.

However for the benefit of any members who are not actively working at their trade we will forward your donation to the hospital.

Up and down the aisle . . . Brother **Wes Stone**, who maintains his card in the local although he has not worked actively at the game for some time is currently employed as an electronic engineer by the Air National Guard Base in Livermore, and recently ventured into the big city to tell us that we missed last week's column . . . Old timers may remember **Sarah Simon**, who used to cashier at the old Allendale theater in 1937. We recently ran into Sarah and had quite a time reliving the days when the ushers at that house were working for approximately 10¢ an hour. Sarah is currently employed by the Bank of America . . . The Paramount knocked 'em dead twice last week; Friday night with the **Elvis Presley** talent contest and the following night with a preview of **"The Spirit of St. Louis."** . . . The California Theater in Berkeley giving notice they will probably cut out matinees about the end of this month except for Saturdays, Sundays and holidays.

Patronize Our Advertisers!



To All Members of East Bay Automotive Machinists 1546 Special Notice

You are herewith officially notified that Lodge 1546 meets in regular session on the first and third Tuesday of each month at the hour of 8:00 P.M. in the Labor Temple, 2315 Valdez Street, Oakland 12, California.

Voting on amendments to the Grand Lodge constitution will take place at the regular meeting November 20.

Meeting hall will be posted on the bulletin board in the lobby of said Temple and you are herewith officially requested to be in attendance.

Fraternally,
A. J. HAYES,
Recording Secretary

Steamfitters Union, Local 342

Our union's off-year election of officers for the years 1957-58 will be held on December 9, 1956.

The first reading of registrants was on November 1, 1956.

Registrations were closed on November 8.

The second reading of registrants was on November 15.

Sunday, December 9, 1956 will be a Special Called meeting.

Fraternally Yours,
JAMES MARTIN,
Fin. Sec'y. Bus. Mgr.
Steamfitters Union No. 342

Clerks & Lumber Handlers 939

Attention, all members of Local 939! You are hereby notified that the next regular meeting of Local 939 will be held Friday, November 23, 1956, at 8 p.m. in Hall B, Labor Temple.

It will be necessary to nominate and elect a president of the local at this meeting. You are respectfully requested to attend.

Fraternally yours,
A. R. ESTES,
Recording Secretary

Attention! Painters of District Council No. 16

As has been reported to you at your Local Union Meetings and in a notice sent out by the Berkeley Local Union No. 40, the Boy Scout Headquarters in Oakland and the Scout Camp at Los Mochos are in need of a paint job.

Those of you who have boys in Scouting should get out and help with this worthwhile job to keep up the facilities used by your sons. Any painter will be welcomed as the more help we have, the easier the job.

CONTACT YOUR RESPECTIVE LOCAL UNIONS, and leave your name. A date will be set as soon as possible.

Fraternally yours,
DISTRICT COUNCIL OF PAINTERS No. 16
FLOYD PEASLEE,
Executive Secretary

Painters Local 127

Due to Thanksgiving falling on our meeting night of November 22, our next meeting of the local will be December 13, 1956 at 8:00 p.m. This will probably be the last meeting of the year hope to see a lot of members out for this last meeting.

The officers of the local wish all the members a very nice Thanksgiving, and hope you don't eat too much turkey.

Brother members who have sons in the Boy Scouts, the locals in District Council No. 16 have been asked to give a hand in painting the Scout headquarters and their camp at Los Mochos. Any members who would like to do a good deed, get in touch with the office and help the Scout movement of Oakland.

The latest news from the District Council No. 16 is that the business agents of the council are going to enforce the laws of the agreement to the letter. Brother members, a little note: Take a few minutes and read the agreement and the union's laws, so you will not be breaking the laws of the agreement without knowing it.

EDGAR S. GULBRANSEN,
Recording Secretary

Hayward Painters 1178

Friday November 16 is the date of our next regular meeting. You never can tell what subject of interest may come up at any meeting. This occurs at many meetings. We'll see you on that date, maybe?

Fraternally yours,
ROBERT G. MILLER,
Recording Secretary

Hayward Culinary Workers and Bartenders 823

The Tuesday, November 20 meeting at 8 p.m. at the headquarters of Local 823, will be held for the purpose of the installation of officers. There will be a social after the installation, with dancing and light refreshments.

Yours fraternally,
ROY WOODS,
Secretary-Treasurer

S. F.-Oakland Mailers Union No. 18

The next regular meeting of San Francisco-Oakland Mailers' Union, No. 18 will be held at California Hall, 625 Polk St., San Francisco, on Sunday afternoon, November 18, 1956, at 1:00 o'clock.

Fraternally yours,
DOUGLAS A. SMITH,
Secretary

Watch It With Watchmakers

Watchmakers Take Up San Jose Ads

By GEORGE F. ALLEN

We had another issue with a discount house with regard to the watch repair department—this time it was the OURS at 1160 N. 4th Street, San Jose.

In a discount house brochure a week ago, they ran a watch repair SPECIAL for $3.49. After visiting with the head man of the discount house, as well as, with the party who runs the jewelry department, we are happy to report that there will be no more of this type of advertising from this discount house, or their other discount house at 1525 Almaden Road, San Jose.

Also, in checking this establishment, we ascertained that the watch repair work—whatever there is of it—is being sent to a union watchmaker.

While on the subject of price signs, we had another occasion to visit Bettencourt's Market in Mt. View, where they attempted to start the price advertising again. — Needless to say, we were on the job and changed their minds.

Relative to discount houses—we have several other discount houses to straighten out with regard to their watch repair department.

We will report on these later.

SAN FRANCISCO-EAST BAY MEMBERS: Remember! There will be no membership meeting in November or December due to the holidays. Mail your dues to the office—do not allow them to become delinquent.

SAN JOSE MEMBERS: Members endeavoring to pay dues during the month of November should mail same to the office.

Reuther Nails Lie

DETROIT (AFLCIO) —Walter P. Reuther of the Auto Workers has branded as "a deliberate and malicious lie" the recent statement by Sherman Adams, assistant to President Eisenhower, that the UAW leader had been quoted as saying he hoped "to be president—in fact — to be the Socialist President of the U. S."

Patronize Our Advertisers!

Cost of Living is Rising in Canada

OTTAWA, Ont. (AFLCIO) — The cost of living in Canada reached an all-time high at the beginning of August when the Consumer Price Index soared to 119.1 according to the Dominion Bureau of Statistics.

The August CPI reading rose six-tenths of one percent during July, and stood 2.3 percent higher than on August 1, 1955. The food, shelter, household operations and other commodities factors all increased during the month, with only the clothing index registering a slight drop.

Industrialists Asked To Aid Desegregation

PITTSBURGH (AFLCIO) — A timely plea to industrial leaders to lend their support to upholding the U. S. Supreme Court's ban on segregated schools was made at the convention of the Pennsylvania Industrial Union Council by Pres. David J. McDonald of the Steelworkers.

He called on the U. S. Chamber of Commerce and the National Association of Manufacturers "to speak out truly as believers in democracy to help provide ways and means to avoid this threat to our American life."

Insurance Pact

NEW YORK (AFLCIO) — Added security gains for 5,000 Metropolitan Life Insurance Company agents are contained in a 30-month contract negotiated with the firm by the Insurance Workers.

The pact covers all the agents in Pennsylvania, New Jersey and metropolitan New York. IWA President William A. Gillen said a strike was averted when the company retreated from its position "regarding management rights to the territory serviced by our agents."

Besides upholding the established rights of agents to their debits (territories) the contract provides improved retirement benefits, an increase in the weekly guarantee from $60 to $70; vacation pay benefits and other gains.

Civil Rights Group

WASHINGTON (AFLCIO) — AFLCIO President George Meany announced the appointment of a Subcommittee of the AFLCIO Civil Rights Committee to assist the Executive Council in processing complaints involving any discrimination by affiliated unions because of race, creed, color or national origin.

Membership of the Subcommittee is as follows: James B. Carey, Milton P. Webster, Willard S. Townsend, Charles S. Zimmerman.

ANGUS MacINNIS, veteran member of the Street, Electric Railway & Motor Coach Employes who recently retired after serving in the Canadian Parliament since 1930, was created an honorary doctor of laws at the special autumn convocation of the University of the University of British Columbia.

Reds in Kenya

WASHINGTON (AFLCIO) — The Communists have no organized activities in Kenya at this time, but conditions in the British Crown Colony provide "a fertile ground" for their operations, Tom Myboya, general secretary of the Kenya Federation of Labor, declared.

Gross discrimination against Negroes, who number 5,750,000 out of a total population of 6 million, invite Red activity, Myboya said.

Patronize Our Advertisers

PATRONIZE ONLY UNION BARBER SHOPS THAT DISPLAY THIS SIGN



GOLDEN GATE PRESS
UNION PRINTERS
5700 SAN PABLO AVENUE
Phone OLympic 2-1160

YOUR FLOOR
wall to wall carpet dining room and hall everything included large selection
298.50 NOTHING DOWN
2.45 PER WEEK
Phone GLencourt 1-5179 carpet man will call with complete selection of samples, day or nite.
DICK'S HOME FURNISHERS
2946 East 14th Street

DELICIOUS MEALS
COCKTAILS
Sports Television
MEET THE PRESS
WALT'S 405 CLUB
12th ST. at FRANKLIN

ATTEND YOUR CHURCH

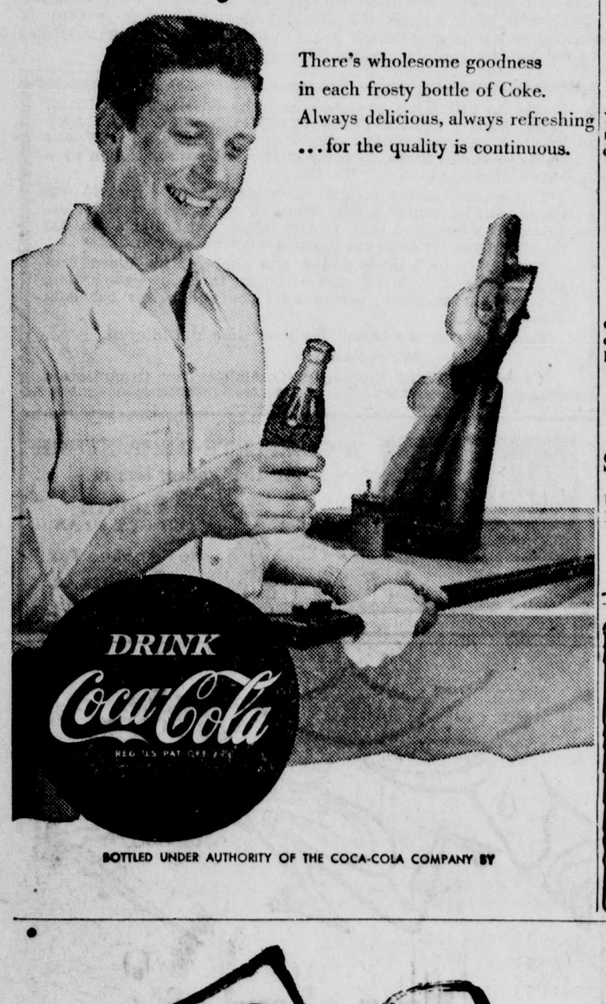
CATHOLIC

ST. JARLATH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH
3300 Fruitvale Avenue
At Montana, Oakland
Sunday Masses: 6:30, 7:30, 9, 10, 11, 12:15.
Week Day Masses: 7 and 8:15 a.m.

METHODIST

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH
Broadway at 24th Street
GEO. A. WARMER, JR. Minister
"No Bargain for God"

Here's quality you can trust



BOTTLED UNDER AUTHORITY OF THE COCA-COLA COMPANY BY

DAKIN SHOT GUNS
See latest rifleman article. Made by ARIZAGA and ARMIRA in EIBAR, Spain. 12- and 20-guage doubles. Beautifully selected hand checkered Pyrenees walnut stocks and Beavertail forearms. Receiver forged of ordnance steel and handsomely hand engraved. $108.50 to $275. Terms are as low as $6 a month, after small down.
BOB'S SPORTING GOODS
100% UNION STORE
3264 EAST FOURTEENTH STREET—ANDOVER 1-5533
OPEN MONDAY, THURSDAY AND FRIDAY NIGHTS
We Repair Coleman Stoves and Lanterns

SINCE 1944
Pelletier Liquors
"13 Locations to Serve You"
"NEVER KNOWINGLY UNDERSOLD"
Daily—6 A.M. 'till 2 A.M.
PROMPT CITYWIDE DELIVERY SERVICE
TELEPHONE . . .
GLencourt 2-4848
DELIVERY SERVICE — 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
CENTRAL LOCATIONS . . .
PELLETIER'S ENTERPRISES 364 - 1ST.
(on Jack London Square)
LUCKY "7" LIQUORS CORNER 32ND AND SAN PABLO
OTHER LOCATIONS
Seven-Eleven Liquors, corner 12th and Brush Streets
Dandy Liquor Store, 10th and Madison
Pelletier's Liquors 1416 - 32nd St. . . . Bottle Store 1106 Market
Twenty Four Hundred Liquor 2400 Market
West Market Liquor 1069 - 12th
Hi-Time Liquor 1706 Market . . . Happy Time Liquor 1647 - 8th
J. P. Liquors 3512 West . . . Big "10" Liquors 591 - 98th Ave.
2336 Willow Pass Road—West Pittsburg

Pay Less at TSS TENTH STREET STORE
FAMOUS FOR UNION MADE WORK CLOTHES
Everything Men and Boys Wear
Washington at 10th Street

phone today for your Sears Christmas Catalog!



for Christmas Shopping with armchair ease
Sears Christmas Book . . . nearly 500 pages of gift ideas—value-packed, low-priced—for everyone on your list! Get your *wonder-full* Sears Christmas Book.
Just Call
THornwall 1-0481 or
enterprise 1-0200 (toll free)

Cities listed below call THornwall 1-0481
Richmond, Berkeley, Oakland, Alameda, San Leandro, Emeryville, El Cerrito, Albany, Piedmont, Orinda

Cities listed below call toll free ENterprise 1-0200
Concord, Danville, Lafayette, Moraga, Walnut Creek, Rodeo, Pittsburg, Antioch, Crockett, Martinez, Pinole, Hayward, Novato, Ignatio

Sears Catalog Shopping by telephone makes short work of the longest list. Choose from thousands of items in the regular and special catalogs. You can charge it by opening a convenient Sears Revolving Charge. Get speedy delivery. No parking problems, no weather worries. Try it today!



Call Us Any Hour of the Day or Night for Easy, Economical, Fast Catalog Shopping
"We Never Close"
Add to Your Sears Easy Payment Plan by Phone
"Satisfaction guaranteed or your money back" SEARS
CATALOG PHONE SHOPPING SERVICE



a Crocker-Anglo Christmas Club account is very timely

Save for 50 weeks	Have
50c per week	$25.25
$1.00 per week	$50.50
$2.00 per week	$101.00
$3.00 per week	$151.50
$5.00 per week	$252.50
$10.00 per week	$505.00
$20.00 per week	$1,010.00

California's Oldest National Bank • Over 55 Offices in Northern and Central California • Member Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation

WHY? . . . because Banking by Mail is so *easy!* We provide special Bank by Mail Forms... and pay the postage both ways.



OAKLAND
MEMBER FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM
MEMBER F.D.I.C.
BANK OF COMMERCE
WASHINGTON, 16TH AND SAN PABLO · TWINOAKS 3-0600

East Bay Labor Journal
1622 EAST 12th STREET
OAKLAND 6, CALIFORNIA
ANdover 1-3981-3982

INTERNATIONAL LABOR PRESS AFL-CIO ASSOCIATION

FOUNDED APRIL 3, 1926
Only Official Publication of AFL Central Labor and Building Construction Trades Councils of Alameda County.

NOVEMBER 16, 1956

OPINIONS

GIFT TO EDITOR APPRECIATED

Editor, Labor Journal:

For some time I felt it necessary to repay you in some manner for your disingenuous reporting.

A problem arose, however, in trying to find a gift of commensurate value.

I have withheld sending it to you until a propitious opportunity presented itself.

Remembering the frustration and comments on the election four years ago by the Journal editor, I felt that this was an excellent occasion for its utility. November 5, 1956

Yours very truly,
C. R. FRISBIE,
Member 1546, IAM
1219 Carleton St.
Berkeley, California

The above letter was attached to a large package which, when opened and the packing removed, was found to contain a roll of newspaper labeled "Tissue" wrought in excellent imitation of an indispensable household article in countries fortunate enough to have modern plumbing facilities.

The outside of this interesting roll was made up of snippets of East Bay Labor Journal, but apparently Brother Frisbie ran out of the supply of this, and finished the roll inside with snippets of the Machinist, doubtless figuring that the editor is so dumb he wouldn't delve deeply into the gift.

Brother Frisbie's remark in his letter about "the frustration and comments on the election four years ago by the Journal editor" aroused our curiosity as to just what he did say when the General was elected the first time. Turning back in the file we find that our comment four years ago seemed appropriate for 1956:

"It is true that there must have been something adolescent, even childish, in the psychology of voters who thought that a successful General, wearing a smile and an air of confidence, could be put in one's pocket and carried about as a magic talisman to rescue us from all difficulties. But all of us are adolescent, and sometimes even childish, when we get away from our specific craft or set of skills."

This seems a fitting moment to congratulate the "specific craft or set of skills" utilized in constructing this much appreciated gift from Brother Frisbie to the editor of East Bay Labor Journal.

JOINER

I am the proud possessor of honorary membership in two of our greatest Unions — the Operating Engineers and the Musicians Union. I also belong to more than 30 social, fraternal, business, sports, civic and other types of organizations.—Governor Knight to Steelworkers Convention.

Do You Want Low Rent?
1-2-3 bedroom units from $55.00 to $66.00 per month
If you are interested call
Atchison Village Mutual Homes Corp.
BEacon 5-5266

Hamilton Bros.
Shoes for the Entire Family
Poll Parrot
shoes for children
Trim Tred
shoes for women
Rand and Star Brand
shoes for men
Five convenient locations
1434 PARK ST., ALAMEDA
CASTRO VILLAGE, CASTRO VALLEY
977 B ST., HAYWARD
16027 VIA ARRIBA, SAN LORENZO
1509 E. 14th ST. SAN LEANDRO

EDITORIALS

Whenever Labor Is Licked Politically, Someone Says . . .

After every campaign in which some of the candidates recommended by labor take a licking, some gentle soul suggests that labor quit taking part in election campaigns.

The idea is that it hurts the prestige of labor to be identified with defeat.

That's a very weak idea, in our opinion.

The economic power of labor was not built by avoiding identification with defeat. It was built by the advertising of defeats, one after another, by being licked and going to jail for it, and then getting out of jail and getting licked again.

It was political power held by ownership and management which sent our pioneers of the labor movement to jail in those early days. It is political power that is now being used to pass compulsory open shop laws, disguised as "right to work" laws. It is political power that is now being used by General Eisenhower to load the NLRB with anti-labor appointees. It is political power that is now being used by Tricky Dick Nixon to build up a backing of billionaires to support him when in 1960—or earlier!—he dreams of succeeding to the Presidency.

All this political power being used against us, and we're supposed to crawl under the rug to keep from being identified with defeat!

Brothers and sisters, all of you who went to the polls last week and registered your protest against the two front men for the billionaires, you did the right thing, and the great majority of AFLCIO leadership did the right thing in helping you to do your part.

Our head is bloody but unbowed, to use the old vigorous saying one more time. We're not glad we were licked, but we're glad we went to the mat with the Gold Dust Twins, Mr. Smile and Mr. Smear, and we don't like their policies one bit more in these days after the election than we did in the days before it.

And they'll pay more attention to us political militants of organized labor because we didn't crawl under the rug and put up a sign, Please Walk On This Rug and What's Under It.

Moreover, we've got plenty of a sense of humor left, but we're using it chiefly to appreciate the vast joke of what did so much to pile up the landslide, or mudslide, whatever it's to be called. It was really very simple. The Administration got world affairs into such a mess that our old allies, England and France, went off the beam and landed us in a still worse mess where suddenly the billionaires' stooges could shout, "Don't change horses in midstream, there may be a war!"

Yeh! Don't change jeep drivers if the fellow at the wheel is about to drive you over a cliff!

George Meany Writes a Letter

People both inside and outside the labor movement keep asking us if the Ethical Practices Committee set up by the AFLCIO is going to function as proclaimed, or is going to be merely a pious bit of window-dressing.

This question seems answered to some extent by the vigorous letter AFLCIO President George Meany sent to Joe Curran, president of the National Maritime Union, a member of the AFLCIO Executive Council and of its Ethical Practices Committee.

As noted in this editorial column last week, Curran wrote a letter, ostensibly to Meany, but published in the New York dailies, protesting against the AFLCIO's effort to supplant, through a representational election, the crooked old International Longshoremen's Association with an honest union.

Meany is no man to take an action like that lying down. Under date of October 23 he sent a letter to Curran in which he notes that Curran had given no hint of disagreement with the AFLCIO's effort to oust the ILA, until, on October 15, he wrote a letter and gave it to the press "so that the morning newspapers of New York City, which appeared just 24 hours before the voting was to begin, would broadcast the news that a top officer of the AFLCIO was opposed to the AFLCIO affiliate in the election."

Meany then smashed forth with this to Curran:

"Your action in seeing to it that the New York papers were given the contents of your letter at least 24 hours before it reached my office is an indication to me of a deliberate effort on your part to help these hoodlums maintain control."

Meany concluded with the hint, about as subtle as a big meat axe, that possibly Joe Curran would be unable to make any "effective contribution" to the work of the Ethical Practices Committee in the future.

We're always reading about "the Great Letter Writers of History." We here and now nominate George Meany for a place in that pantheon.

Longer and Lower, Longer and Lower

Spokesmen for the United Auto Workers have protested that the price of 1957 models is too high for the good of the industry.

One Harold Montrose of Washington, D. C., writing to a daily newspaper, suggested that automobiles should be higher, not in price, but in bulk:

"Automobile designers . . . never seem to have any new ideas. Year after year it's just longer and lower, longer and lower, longer and lower. How about making it shorter and higher some day for a change? Then we should have more room to park and take up less space on the highways; we'd be able to get in and out of our cars more easily, and see at least the tops of low hills out the window now and then."

What's wrong with Mr. Montrose's suggestion?

CHRISTMAS CARDS
WITH THE UNION LABEL
INSIST ON THIS LABEL FOR YOUR CHRISTMAS CARDS
ALLIED PRINTING TRADES UNION LABEL COUNCIL EAST BAY CITIES
EAST BAY ALLIED PRINTING TRADES COUNCIL
600 - 16th Street, Oakland, California TEmplebar 2-3497
LOOK FOR THE EMBLEM

How Scab Law Was Put Over In First State to Adopt It

A new study on the forces and conditions that succeeded in putting the first so-called state "right-to-work" law on the statute books—Florida in 1944—will be released shortly. The study is entitled "The Florida Right to Work Movement: An Evaluation," and was prepared by Economist John Shott of the Public Affairs Institute.

This report on the right-to-work movement was undertaken on the assumption that it is important to know the forces that have placed this legislation on the books of 17 states. With that objective, an initial inquiry has been made on the passage of this legislation in Florida, the first of the states to adopt a prohibition of the closed shop.

An introductory chapter refers to the initiation in 1901 of the organized movement to maintain open shop conditions and the conclusion of the La-Follette Committee in 1939 that organized employers were still conducting a fight against organized labor under the cloak of preserving the open shop. One of the conclusions of the study is that the movement to get the constitutional amendment in Florida was motivated by an intent to weaken the trade union movement in the state despite the fact that appeal was made to the voters in terms of the rights of the individual.

A vast amount of construction in the defense building years, 1940-1942, was accompanied by a manipulated propaganda against the extension of the closed shop to defense employment. Because many of these projects were organized by the building trades unions, these unions bore the major burden of the propaganda against union security provisions conducted by conservative newspapers, employer associations and those acting in their interest. Examples of this propaganda are analyzed in the text. It is clear from a consideration of these attacks on unions, both in the national press and radio, in Congress and in the organs of opinion in Florida, that this propaganda formed the background of the anti-closed shop movement in the respective states.

The study shows the typical line-up of organizations working to eliminate all forms of union security in Florida. Here are the Associated Industries of Florida, the Florida Farm Bureau Federation, the Christian American Association and other organizations established for this specific purpose. In addition to these organizations Florida's Attorney General Watson was a strong force supporting the right-to-work amendment. It is indicated that Watson, through his personal political machine and the office of attorney general, was the single most important factor in the adoption of the constitutional amendment outlawing the closed shop. The amendment was found to be the result of a joint effort by the organizations and individuals supporting the legislation.

Labor was the only important organized group working to defeat the amendment. The scope of labor's effort and some of the difficulties encountered in presenting their case against the amendment are indicated.

An analysis of the popular vote shows the rural sections of the state voting heavily for the amendment to outlaw the closed shop while the city areas voted against it by a slight margin. A reapportionment of the representation in the state legislature according to population would have defeated the amendment in the legislature, the chapter on the vote indicates.

'Cannibalization' Of Textile Mills

NEW YORK (AFLCIO) — "Cannibalization" of textile mills at an increasing rate was charged by Research Director Solomon Barkin of the Textile Workers in letters to Chairman Emmanuel Celler of the House Judiciary Committee and Chief Victor R. Hansen of the Justice Departments anti-trust division.

"In 1956," Barkin wrote, "73 textile mills employing 25,000 workers have been absorbed or are in the process of being absorbed by the giants in their process of growth through mergers."

Barkin said that a number of the mills were closed after merging, and that textile mills are investing "larger and larger sums in non-textile properties, thereby diverting talent, skills and funds to non-textile industrial areas." He called for action by the Anti-Trust Division to develop criteria for determining when a corporate merger is not in the public interest.

Bright Star Ascendant!



Migrant Probe Asked

WASHINGTON (AFLCIO) — The U. S. Section of the Joint United States-Mexico Trade Union Committee has urged Secretary of Labor James P. Mitchell to appoint a tri-partite committee, consisting of representatives of the public, employers and organized labor, to investigate programs for the importation of foreign agricultural labor.

The request was made in a letter signed by Secretary-Treasurer Frank L. Noakes of the Brotherhood of Maintenance of Way Employees, who is chairman of the U. S. Section. Noakes said the communication transmitted recommendations formulated at the recent meeting of the group in Washington.

Seafarers Gain

NEW YORK (AFLCIO) — New higher wage scales and other contract improvements for members of the Seafarers have gone into effect, according to Sec. - Treas. Paul Hall of the SIU Atlantic Gulf Dist.

A feature was a limitation on the authority of skippers to "log," or impose fines, for infractions of rules such as missing a watch or a day's work. The limitation, Hall said, "sets the precedent that such questions are proper subjects for collective bargaining," and is the first in the industry.

Human Rights

NEW YORK (AFLCIO)—The annual luncheon of the electrical industries group here on behalf of Joint Defense Appeal this year honored Arnold Beichman, noted labor journalist and editor of the Electrical Union World.

Beichman, U. S. public relations representative of the International Confederation of Free Trade Unions, was cited for his leadership in promoting human rights.

Iron Horse Slow, Horse Wager Lost

It was the horses against the "Iron Horse" in Boston! Two gentlemen, who play the nags announced a suit for $500 against the New Haven. They charge a slow train kept them from cashing in on fast horses.

The two men, Ralph K. Stewart and William L. Coilty, say they doped out the daily double combination of Flint and Tar Queen while riding a train to Narragansett Race Track last Dec. 3. But they arrived 14 minutes late, the betting window was closed, and, sad and ticketless they watched the horses win their races. The combination paid $173.60 on a $2 ticket.

"Reliance" on the New Haven, they sternly charge, caused them "mental anguish, constant anxiety and financial loss."—Labor, railmen's weekly.

New Labor Institute

ANN ARBOR, Mich. (AFLCIO) — Creation of an Institute of Labor and Industrial Relations has been authorized by the board of regents of the University of Michigan.

The action followed submission of a 182-page report, based on a year's study of programs in 13 other universities and interviews with labor, business and industry representatives, by Russell A. Smith, associate dean of the law school and Prof. Meyer S. Ryder of the school of business administration.

Labor Wins Rights

TYLER, Tex. (AFLCIO) — Two AFLCIO unions won bargaining rights after a joint organizing campaign in three local plants, Western Foundry Co., Western Specialty Co. and Associated Metals, Inc.

The Foundry Workers and Machinists scored a 452 to 232 victory in the plants which are owned by the same interests.

It's the Rich Who Own the Business

WASHINGTON (AFLCIO) — The AFLCIO Economic Policy Committee registered a sharp disagreement with the president of the New York Stock Exchange in answering the question, "Who owns American Business?" in the current issue of the committee's Economic Trends and Outlook.

The article quotes the exchange's president, G. Keith Funston, as saying that, "The owners of the world's richest nation—men, women and children—are products of every section of the country, every occupation and every walk of life."

"We dare say that Mr. Funston's statement is technically accurate," Economic Trends & Outlook said. "Shareowners in American corporations do include some men, women and children from every walk of life. But the impression which Mr. Funston seeks to create of a broad democratic ownership of corporate enterprise is decidedly misleading."

The "key questions", the committee publication said, are what proportion of the various segments of our population owns stock, and what proportion of the value of stock issues is held by the various occupational and income groups.

The Stock Exchange approach, it pointed out, makes a person with one share of stock in a single corporation just as much an "owner" of American industry as an individual who owns thousands of shares.

"It is only by disregarding the size of holdings of individual shareholders that the notion of broad ownership of American industry can be advanced," Economic Trends declared.

Needle Trade Gets Rise, Puerto Rico

NEW YORK (AFLCIO) — Increases ranging from 10 cents to 27.5 cents an hour will be recommemded in new minimum wages for workers in Puerto Rico's various needle trades by a federal wage study committee, Vice President Charles S. Zimmerman of the Ladies' Garment Workers said.

Zimmerman, who served as one of the three labor members of the nine-man committee appointed by Secretary of Labor James P. Mitchell, reported on his return from a five-week survey in Puerto Rico that the island's traditional system of homework in the needle trades is dying out.

Notice to all Union Members and the GENERAL PUBLIC THE WARD EMPLOYEES' COMMITTEE FOR ORGANIZATION asks your kind cooperation, when shopping at Ward's Oakland Retail Store, to insist that you be waited upon by a Union Member of Local No. 853.

The present members are easily **identified by the No. 853 Union Button conspicuously worn.** If no one in a given department where you shop is a member, insist that a **No. 853** member from an adjacent department wait on you.

Through **your buying power** and **support, we Ward Employees** who are No. 853 members can, through organization, improve our earnings, secure our jobs and better our conditions.

Thanking you in advance for your time and interest.

We remain,

Teamster Ward Employees Committee for Organization

Ernest A. Rossi - FLOWERS
Telephone GLencourt 1-0234
435 - 20th STREET (just off Broadway) Oakland 4

BUCHANAN'S
RANCH WAGON DINNERS $2.50
BANQUET ROOMS FOR PRIVATE PARTIES
IDEAL FOR UNION PARTIES
Club **HIGHLAND**
DINING ROOM and BAR
14th Ave., at E. 18th St. • Oakland • KE 6-3973
BILL PLENTY OF FREE PARKING JESS

There's a CRAIG* Superb Service Station on Your Way
Craig Oil Company serves more motorists than any other independent service chain in the Bay Area. One visit will show you why!
100% Union Service Attendants
CRAIG
SERVICE STATIONS

MERVYN'S
San Lorenzo
A COMPLETE DEPT. STORE for the entire family
6 MONTH BUDGET PLAN
No City Sales Tax
YOUR DOLLAR BUYS MORE!



Keep ahead of costs of illness
Unexpected costs won't run you ragged if you plan wisely to provide for doctor and hospital care. A flexible CPS plan can be arranged for your union, to include group life and accidental death and dismemberment benefits, underwritten by West Coast Life Insurance Co.
CALIFORNIA PHYSICIANS' SERVICE
Blue Shield
CPS
837 - 17th STREET, OAKLAND
Phone TWinoaks 3-8000